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Dear Representative

In order to make informed decisions, physicians believe patients ought to have access to the best, most accurate information about who is treating them and what their health care provider is trained and licensed to do, which is more than the system currently affords them. The Patient's Right to Know bill, introduced in the House, requires medical professionals to wear and display their credentials and expertise both in the office and / or hospital as well as in any advertising promoting their services.

The Patient's Right to Know bill puts patients first by:

- ☐ Requiring all health care professionals to **wear a name tag during all patient encounters** that clearly identifies the type of license they hold;
- ☐ Requires all health care professionals to **visibly display their education, training and licensure** in their offices; and
- ☐ **Ensures that any advertisements or professional websites** created to promote health care services clearly identify the type of license the provider holds and the extent of services they are legally permitted to provide.

According to a recent national survey, only half of patients believe that it is easy to identify who is a licensed medical doctor—and who is not—by reading their title or other advertising materials. By contrast, 87 percent of patients believe that health care providers, including physicians, should be required to more clearly display their level of training and legal licensure.

Patients in Michigan deserve to know that their health care is being provided by a health professional who is qualified to provide a particular service. I would appreciate your support for HB 4524, the 'Patient Right to Know Act.'

Sincerely,

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